

Sinclair Broadcasting's plans to air "Stolen Honor" in the guise of legitimate news must be regarded as nothing less than reprehensible by the standards of the FCC. Please ensure that the usual standards of ethics and policy that your organization supports are correctly applied to this blatant abuse of the trust placed in such a large and powerful broadcasting corporation. Remind the public that the resource of our airways placed under your control will not be used in unethical ways, and that we may continue to trust your stewardship.

I am in complete agreement with the opinion that:
"Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. "

Sincerely,
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